

# DISCLOSURE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**  
☐ **ANSWER**  
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**  
☐ **UNTIMELY**

**DATE: 10/29/2021**

**DOCKET #: 2021-913**

Ashley Wimberley, Director  
Disclosure Division

## FILER INFORMATION

Name: Gwendolyn C. "Gigi" Carter  
Address: 2338 Valence Street, New Orleans, LA 70115  
Office/Position: Louisiana Education Television Authority  
# of Disclosures/Amendments Filed with Agency: 13  
Years Covered: 2008-2020  
Final Report: No (2020 Final Year)

## REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2019  
Report ID: PFD21010391  
Original Due Date: 7/6/2020  
NOD Received: 9/16/2021  
NOD Signed by: Not Signed & No Proof of Signature on file at the Post Office  
PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD: 9/27/2021  
PFD/Answer Filed: 10/5/2021

## LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$400  
Days late from receipt of NOD: 8  
Total days late from initial due date: 456  
Late Fee Order Received: 10/15/2021  
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 11/4/2021  
Waiver Request Received: 10/5/2021

## COMMENTS:

Gwen C. Carter is requesting a waiver for the late filing of her 2019 Annual PFD Statement. Mrs. Carter stated she was a dedicated LETA Board Member for 14 years and had no intentions of resigning. Her husband of 53 years unexpectedly suffered a stroke and passed away on August 3, 2018. She was devastated and simply did not have the physical or mental capacity to focus on thing and complete forms. She stated for years after his death, she "did not know what she was doing". She's spent this year "catching up to life and learning to live alone". Mrs. Carter assumed resigning from the board would absolve her of the annual filing requirements. She apologies for her delinquency and asks the Ethics Board to waive her fine.

This is Mrs. Carter's first late filing and late fee assessment.

## OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

### Disclosure Statements:

- Other Outstanding Statements: No
- Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No
- Reassessed Late Fees: No

### Campaign Finance:

- Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No

## Waiver Request or Appeal

Attach a typed or legible handwritten letter stating good cause (reasons) for your Waiver Request or Appeal. If you are requesting a waiver due to a financial hardship, please complete the 2-page Financial Statement form and include any supporting documentation.

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Select One:

☒ **Request a Waiver**

If you choose to request a waiver of the late fee, your request should include specific details, along with supporting documentation, as to why, in your opinion, you have *good cause* for not timely filing the report and why the late fee should be reduced, suspended, or waived.

☐ **Appeal the Assessment**

Appeal the assessment directly to the *Ethics Adjudicatory Board*. If you choose to appeal the assessment of the late fee, the proceedings will go before a three judge panel of administrative law judges. The panel will determine if you were required to file the disclosure statement and whether the disclosure statement was filed late. Mitigating factors are not considered. The Ethics Adjudicatory Board does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment.

PLEASE PRINT

First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:
Gwen "gigi"	C.	CARTER
Contact Number:	504.710.4444	
Contact Email:	gpcarter@me.com	
Date:	October 2, 2021	
Signature:	Gwendolyn C. Carter	

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NAME: Gwen "Gigi" Carter

Date: October 2, 2021

Dear Ethics Board,

First I want to apologize for this problem. I served as a loyal and dedicated LPB Board Member for 14 years. I actually had no intention of resigning.

My husband, Kenneth M. Carter unexpectedly suffered a stroke and expired on August 3, 2018. Needless to say I was devastated by the loss of my best friend of 53 years. I simply did not have the physical or mental capacity to sit, complete the required due diligence, fill out forms and complete the task.

I turned to resignation as my last action for compliance. I thought this would allow me to safely move on. Obviously, I was wrong. Resignation did not absolve me of completing the forms.

Maybe I should have known, but I did not.

In what it's worth, I did not know who I was or what I was doing for two years. The third year has been catch up to life and coping and learning to live alone.

For these reasons I am requesting a waiver of all financial penalties to date. Thank you.

Signature:

Gwendolyn C. Carter

From: Marlesha Ross mross@lpb.org  
Subject: Board of Ethics Docs!  
Date: Oct 4, 2021 at 9:26:29 AM  
To: Gwen C Carter gccarter@me.com

Marlesha Ross  
Administrative Assistant  
Louisiana Public Broadcasting  
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(800) 272-8161, ext. 4200



Gwen C. Carter  
2338 Valence Street  
New Orleans, LA 70115

April 30, 2020

Beth Courtney  
President / Executive Director  
Louisiana Educational Television Authority

Dear Mrs. Courtney,

It is with a heavy heart that I tender this resignation as a member of the LETA Board, effective immediately.

Since Ken's death, and other personal issues require my full attention at this time and into the foreseeable future. I have enjoyed my time as a board member and working with your dedicated staff. I of course remain a faithful member of LPB.

Sincerely,  
Gwen "gigi" Carter

Ms. Gwendolyn Carter  
2338 Valence St.  
New Orleans, LA 70115

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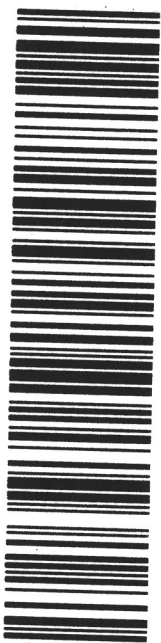
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**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

September 14, 2021

Gwendolyn C. "Gigi" Carter  
2338 Valence Street  
New Orleans, LA 70115

**RE: NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY - FAILURE TO FILE**  
**Statement covering 2019 (originally due on July 6, 2020)**  
**Louisiana Education Television Authority**

Dear Gwendolyn C. "Gigi" Carter:

Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.4, if a person fails to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement as required by 42:1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1, or 1124.3; omits information; or files inaccurately, a Notice of Delinquency shall be issued. A review of our records indicates that we have not received your Personal Financial Disclosure Statement.

**You have 7 business days from the date of receipt of this Notice** to file your Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2019, which was originally due on July 6, 2020, or to submit an Answer explaining why you feel you are not required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. Failure to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement or an Answer within the 7 business days will subject you to an automatic late fee of \$50 per day up to a maximum of \$1,500. Proof of timely filing is determined by the U.S. Postal Service postmark; commercial delivery service; fax, upload, or electronic filing confirmation date stamp.

The form for the Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (Form 417) is available on the Louisiana Board of Ethics website at [www.ethics.la.gov](http://www.ethics.la.gov). If you have any questions, you may contact me at 225/219-5600 or 800/842-6630.

Sincerely,

Lisa Ford  
Program Compliance Officer

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Gwendolyn C. "Gigi" Carter  
2338 Valence Street  
New Orleans, LA 70115



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